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SUBJECT: DECORATION FOR LT. COLONEL PIERRE HENRI

DAUFFENBACH, RECENTLY RETIRED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

OF LUXEMBOURG ARMY

1. I WOULD LIKE TO URGE THAT THE LEGION OF MERIT BE AWARDED TO COLONEL DAUFFENBACH FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY, TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE AND TO AMERICAN-LUXEMBOURG RELATIONS. COLONEL DAUFFENBACH RETIRED ON FEBRUARY 4 AFTER THREE AND ONE-HALF YEARS AS COMMANDER-CHIEF OF THE LUXEMBOURG ARMED FORCES. HE WORKED BERY CLOSELY WITH HIS AMERICAN COLLEAGUES IN NATO AND WITH THE MILITARY ATTACHES AND MAAG IN BRUSSELS ON A VARIETY OF ISSUES AND PROBLEMS AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN NEGOTIATING THE LOC AGREEMENT FOR LUXEMBOURG. BECAUSE I HAVE KNOWN COLONEL DAUFFENBACH FOR THREE YEARS AND HAVE THE HIGHEST RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR HIM, I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT HIM THE AWARD MYSELF BEFORE LEAVING LUXEMBOURG IN MID-MARCH. MAY I ASK, THEREFORE, THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT/DOD EXPEDITE PROCEDURES. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUPPORT THAT MAY BE NECESSARY FROM AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD AND GENERAL HAIG ON COLONE DAUFFENBACH'S NOMINATION.

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2. THE SENIOR MILITARY ATTACHE FOR LUXEMBOURG, COLONEL EDWARD F. BORSARE, HAS PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING CITATION FOR AWARD OF LEGION OF MERIT TO LT. COLONEL PIERRE HENRI DAUFFENBACH, LUXEMBOURG ARMY. QUOTE. LT. COLONEL PIERRE HENRI DAUFFENBACH, COMMAND OF LUXEMBOURG, DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF BY EXEMPLARY, MERITORIOUS CONDUCT WHILE SERVING IN POSITIONS OF INCREASING RESPONSIBILITY AND COMPLEXITY. THE OUTSTANDING DEGREE OF PROFESSIONALISM WHICH HE HAS DISPLAYED AS A SOLDIER, LEADER AND ADMINISTRATOR HAS BEEN APPLIED WITH RESOLUTION AND TENACITY OF PURPOSE. HIS DEDICATION AND DETERMINATIIN TO GUARD THE HERITAGE OF HIS COUNTRY AND THE FREE WORLD HAVE MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EXISTENCE OF FREEDOM IN THE WESTERN WORLD. HIS UNDERSTANDING, KEEN DESIRE AND DILIGENT EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN THE DEFENSE OF HIS COUNTRY AND THE FREE WORLD HAVE SERVED TO FURTHER CEMENT LUXEMBOURG-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIPS. HIS DEDICATION TO DUTY AND COUNTRY AND THE SUPPORT OF HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCES REFLECT GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF AND THE LUXEMBOURG ARMED FORCES. UNQUOTE. FARKAS

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